

UT-Health to develop their telemedicine program. One of Mr. Carlton's most distinguished roles there was creating and managing Texas legend Dr. James "Red" Duke's Texas Health Reports. This nationally syndicated television program educated millions of Americans on health and nutrition matters. Mr. Carlton finished his career as Executive Director of International Telemedicine at MD Anderson the world-renowned Cancer Research Hospital in Houston, where he made many technological breakthroughs in documenting medical procedures and helped pioneer techniques in the field of telemedicine.

Mr. Carlton was married to the love of his life, Mrs. Patti Whitmire Carlton, for forty-years until her death in May 2020. They have 3 children: Dave, Brian, Craig. He has numerous grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The Carlton/Whitmire family has a long history of career military and public service to our country spanning several generations.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank Corporal Marion "Mark" Carlton for his selfless military service to this great nation.

SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL
GUARD RESPONDS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, two weeks ago as violent anarchy gripped our nation's capital, the South Carolina National Guard answered the call.

The South Carolina National Guard successfully mobilized and deployed nearly 450 Soldiers to the District of Columbia in support of the D.C. National Guard in less than 24 hours. This speaks to the preparedness of our service members and their willingness to support the citizens of the United States.

While on mission in the National Capital Region, Task Force Palmetto assisted the D.C. National Guard with crowd and traffic control, patrols to ensure citizen safety, and general security of the national monuments.

The support provided by the South Carolina National Guard enabled U.S. citizens to exer-

cise their Constitutional rights and freedoms to peacefully protest.

With a history dating back 350 years, the men and women of the South Carolina National Guard continue to represent the state of South Carolina, the National Guard, and the U.S. Army with the utmost professionalism and honor. Their service in D.C. is yet another example of their commitment to State and Nation.

Special appreciation for Captain Brian Leister and First Sergeant Aaron Bittner, who survived being struck by lightning as they were serving.

Congratulations to 1-118 IN Battalion Commander Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth Snow for his honorable leadership on the ground as well as Colonel Jamie Fowler who liaised with the D.C. National Guard.

Lastly, South Carolina is grateful for Governor Henry McMaster and Adjutant General R. Van McCarty for their rapid response and service protecting families.